

North Region Coastal District

Department of Conservation and Recreation



APRIL 2017 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

All Programs are free and open to the public. All ages are welcome but children under 8 years of age may have difficulty using binoculars or a spotting scope because of their stage of cognitive development. An adult must accompany children. Birding programs are suitable for both beginners and experts. In most cases these programs will be facilitated by a DCR Park Interpreter. For possible changes or cancellations to these programs please phone 978-937-2094 ext. 121 (changes may be made up to 1 hour before the start of a program). Rain Cancels. For more information call (781) 485-2804 Ext. 105 or email Matthew.Nash@state.ma.us For a listing of programs at other DCR state parks please visit www.mass.gov/DCR. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh.

Saturdays April 1st, & 15th

Shorebird Surprises 2:30 p.m. -4:00p.m. and by Appointment Winthrop Shores Reservation

Come explore beautiful Winthrop Shores to look for shorebird specialties of Piping Plover, Sanderling, and American Oystercatcher and learn how these birds are adapted for survival. Some binoculars and a spotting scope will be provided but please bring these items if you are able to. Meet at: Winthrop Beach on Winthrop Shore Drive across from Sturgis Street and 62 Winthrop Shore Drive, Winthrop, MA. Accessible by Public Transportation: Paul Revere Transportation bus 712 or 713 Point Shirley-Orient Heights, arrive at the Winthrop Beach stop then walk down Sturgis Street, Winthrop MA (If traveling from outside Winthrop, board the bus at the MBTA Orient Heights station on the blue line). Visit www.MBTA.com for bus and train information (schedule, route and fees).

Thursdays April 6th 13th, & 20th

Spring has Sprung Safari 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and by Appointment Belle Isle Marsh Reservation

Saturday April 8th Discover the active spring creatures that abound at this beautifully restored wildlife sanctuary that was once a former dump and drive-in movie theatre. Learn how these animals are adapted for survival. Some binoculars and a spotting scope will be provided but please bring these items if you are able to. This program is wheel chair accessible and involves traveling a distance of up to a mile and a half. Meet at: Main Parking lot near the bulletin board, located on Bennington Street, East Boston between address 173 Bennington St., Revere and 1236 Bennington St. East Boston. Parking is on a paved lot and is free of charge. Accessible by public transportation: MBTA Blue line, Suffolk Downs Station, turn left onto Bennington Street and walk to the park entrance on the right. Visit www.MBTA.com

Saturday April 22nd

What Lies beneath the Sea 2:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and by Appointment Short Beach Section of Winthrop Shores Reservation

Discover what animals lie beneath the sea on this tide pool exploration and learn how these animals struggle for survival and satisfy their voracious appetites. Be prepared for walking on rocky and slippery ground and getting your feet wet. Some nets will be provided but bring a net if you have one.

Meet at: Short Beach section of Winthrop Shores Reservation, Winthrop, MA across from 440 Winthrop parkway, Winthrop, MA. Free Parking is available in a paved lot across the street from the meeting location and along the road.